IN THE CLAIMS

Please rewrite claim 5 as follows:

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- operating in a radio communications system, the radio communications
- system comprising at least one base station that transmits signals [to the radio]
- 4 including power control commands to the radio, the radio comprising a variable gain amplifier and a maximum gain setting, the method comprising 6 the steps of:

determining an open loop power control value in response to a signal received from the at least one base station;

determining a gain adjust signal in response to the transmitted power control commands;

combining the open loop power control value and the gain adjust signal to produce a summation signal;

comparing the summation signal to the maximum gain setting;

- if the summation signal is greater than or equal to the maximum gain setting, adjusting the variable gain amplifier in response to the maximum gain setting; and
- if the summation signal is less than the maximum gain setting, adjusting the variable gain amplifier in response to the summation signal.

Please rewrite claim 8-9 as follows:

- 8. (Twice Amended) A method for limiting transmit power of a radio operating in a cellular environment, the cellular environment comprising a plurality of cells that transmit power control commands to the radio, the radio comprising a variable gain amplifier and a maximum gain setting, the method comprising the steps of:
- determining an open loop power control value in response to a signal received from at least one cell of the plurality of cells;
- determining a gain adjust signal in response to the transmitted power control commands;
- combining the open loop power control value and the gain adjust signal to produce a summation signal;
- adjusting the maximum gain setting in response to a temperature of the variable gain amplifier;
- comparing the adjusted maximum gain setting to the summation signal;

if the summation signal is greater than or equal to the maximum gain setting, prohibiting the gain adjust signal from changing in response to the transmitted power control commands;

if the summation signal is greater than or equal to the maximum gain setting, adjusting the variable gain amplifier in response to the maximum gain setting; and

if the summation signal is less than the maximum gain setting, adjusting the variable gain amplifier in response to the summation signal.

(Twice Amended) A method for limiting transmit power of a radio operating in a cellular environment, the cellular environment comprising a plurality of cells that transmit power control commands to the radio, the radio comprising a variable gain amplifier, a maximum gain setting, and a power limiting accumulator, the method comprising the steps of:

the variable gain amplifier transmitting a signal;

determining a gain adjust signal in response to the transmitted power control commands;

detecting a power value of the transmitted signal;

digitizing the power value;

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comparing the digitized power value to the maximum gain setting;

if the digitized power value is greater than the maximum gain setting, decreasing the gain of the variable gain amplifier; and

if the digitized power value is greater than the maximum gain setting, prohibiting the gain adjust signal from changing in response to the transmitted power control commands.

Please amend claim 10 as follows:

In Claim 10, line 9, please delete the word "transmit" and substitute therefor --transmitted--.

Please rewrite claim 11 as follows:

the variable gain amplifier transmitting a signal;

determining a gain adjust signal in response to the transmitted power control commands;

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